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FRENCH NOTE TO BRITAIN SUGGESTS A CONFERENCE

Desire to Act Loyal in Accordance With Wishes of the Allies Expressed in Reply to English Communication on German Occupation.

MAINTAINS SHE GAVE NOTICE OF ACTION

Britain Assumes That 'France Will Not Act Again on Own Initiative'; Tension Is Considered to Have Been Relieved.

By the Associated Press.
LONDON, April 10.—The reply of France to the British note on the action taken by France in occupying additional German territory was received in London today. The note maintains that France gave Great Britain ample warning on April 3 that France considered it necessary to take military steps if Germany failed to withdraw her troops.

The reply mentions the unratified treaty drawn up between France, Great Britain and the United States on the protection of France, presents the protest of France and concludes with an expression of the wish of France to act in accordance with the wishes of the allies, and a hope for further conferences on the subject.

The British foreign office has not stated what form the French warning took, but it is assumed that it was presented verbally by the French Ambassador.

View Note as Conciliatory. Notwithstanding the insistence of France that there was no alternative for her in the circumstances except occupation of German territory, and her denial of the statement that she had acted without warning, officials here view the note as conciliatory because of the expressed desire of the French for an allied conference.

This view is emphasized by the fact that Premier Lloyd George left today for San Remo, although it was stated yesterday that he might postpone his departure. He did not attend the meeting of the Supreme Council here today. Earl Curzon, the Foreign Secretary, also was not present because of illness. It was stated that the council did not discuss the German situation, but continued to work on the Turkish treaty. In other official quarters the French note is considered to have relieved the tension of yesterday.

Note Sent to Paris.

Declaration that the allies repeatedly declined to sanction the advance of French troops east of the Rhine and that statements by Premier Millerand and other French Ministers had given the impression that country would abstain from single-handed action against Germany are contained in the note outlining the British attitude sent to Paris, says the London Times.

Emphasis is laid on the fact that there are problems in connection with the execution of the Versailles treaty may arise in the future. It is said, and it is assumed "France will not act again on her own initiative, otherwise the work of the peace conference may become futile."

The newspaper says it has learned French-African troops which originally occupied Frankfort have been replaced by European forces. It is explained that Africans were used only because they were nearest Frankfort.

French Note to Britain on German Occupation

By the Associated Press.
PARIS, April 10.—The note sent yesterday by Premier Millerand to the British Government, in reply to the British note with regard to the action of France in sending troops into the neutral zone in Germany, says:

"The French Government affirms first of all that no doubt can be felt of the loyalty of its attitude. The allies have been constantly informed of its policy. The French Government has always opposed the entry of supplementary German troops into the Rhenish region and has added that the authorization for such an entry must have a counterpart in the occupation of Frankfort and Darmstadt."

"On April 3 its representatives in all the allied capitals informed the Governments to which they were accredited (at the same time a copy being sent to the allied representatives in Paris) that Marshal Foch's measures could no longer be postponed."

"Furthermore, the French Govern-

Strike Closes 59 Coal Mines in District Serving St. Louis

OF 64 Illinois mines which reported today to the office of the Fifth and Ninth District Association in St. Louis, all but five were closed down on account of the strike of coal switchmen and yardmen in the St. Louis district. The five that were working were filling a few cars that were on hand before the strike.

There are 70 mines in the two districts, which include St. Clair, Madison, Bond, Washington and Randolph counties and a part of Perry County. Most of the fuel supply of St. Louis comes from these mines. Reports from more distant fields are that the same conditions exist.

Most of the mines were getting only a meager supply of cars before the strike and were not able to work continuously. The condition rapidly became worse.

There are a few cars scattered here and there. It is now expected that when these are filled there will be none to take their places and all the mines except those which serve wagons and trucks will be closed down.

The suspension throws out of employment about 20,000 miners in the St. Louis fields.

7-CENT CAR FARE IN EFFECT TODAY ON LINES OF U. R.

Means Reduction of One-Half Cent a Ride to 60 Per Cent of Riders, Less to Others.

A 7-cent street car fare became effective today on lines of the United Railways, replacing an 8-cent base fare, which, however, in practice was to be made to average 7.25 cents through the sale of tokens at 7½ and 7 cents.

To the 60 per cent of all riders who habitually purchased bronze tokens at the rate of two for 15 cents, the 7-cent fare thus was a reduction of ½ cent a ride. The 37 per cent of riders who used the smaller tokens at 7 cents, however, experienced no saving. Only a negligible percentage of riders paid cash fares of 8 cents.

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GIRL LANDS 55-POUND FISH

Osawatomie, Kansas, Opens Season
With Big Cat.

OSAWATOMIE, Kan., April 10.—The price catch of the season and an event that has caused the residents of Osawatomie to get out their fishing tackle was made by Leota Blackmer, the 15-year-old daughter of Elmer Blackmer. She landed a 55-pound cat fish with an ordinary hook and line while fishing in the Marais Des Cygnes River, two miles west of Osawatomie, yesterday.

THIEVES STEAL 128,000 BIBLES

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, April 10.—Chicago police today were searching for the "meanest thieves," who stole 128,000 Bibles, valued at \$27,500, from the Prison Bible Society. The Bibles were carried away in a moving van.

In Tomorrow's Sunday Post-Dispatch

New Views From an Airplane
of the National Capitol—A
series of striking photographs
in the Rotogravure Section.
First Hand Information on Why
Girls Shall Dominate Service
Work in Factories—A
Post-Dispatch woman writer
tells of the frank discussions
she heard during a brief
sojourn as a guest in Father
Dempsey's hotel for working
girls.

How a St. Louis Policeman's
Daughter Became an Operatic
Star—A highly interesting
story of the conquest of ob-
stacles by persistence.

Missouri's First Century of
Statehood Celebrated in Paga-
inant and Masque—Review of
an interesting patriotic
achievement in a famous
Missouri school.

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ALDERMEN VOTE FOR WIDENING OF VANDEVENTER AV.

Approve Plan to Add 20 Feet to East Side of Street From Market to Washington Avenue.

LAST MEETING OF FISCAL YEAR

U. R. Granted Franchises to Extend Two Lines—\$100 Tax on Soft Drink Estab- lishments Approved.

HOTEL CLERK IS HELD IN \$275,000 JEWEL MYSTERY

James E. Foye Thought to Be Responsible for Disap- pearance of Pearl Necklace From Hotel Biltmore Safe.

SOLD NINE PEARLS TO A PAWNBROKER

Police Had Been Watching Man Since Valuables Were Taken—Carried Addresses of Rich Families.

From the New York Bureau of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Mystery of the disappearance of jewelry valued at \$275,000 from the room of Mrs. Clarence Millhiser in the Hotel Biltmore last June 13 was said to have been explained by detectives of police headquarters last night in the arrest, late yesterday afternoon at Broadway and Park place, of James E. Foye, formerly a clerk in the hotel.

Detectives said that following the report of the robbery a close watch had been kept on Foye, who left the Biltmore, worked for the Hotel Corporation in Bronxville and then labored for the Food Administration.

Wherever he went sharp eyes were on him.

In the loot, as reported to the police, was a pearl necklace given to Mrs. Millhiser by her husband, who died May 20, 1908. This necklace was assayed by the police to be the most valuable one of its sort in America. Its estimated worth is \$40,000.

The ultimate purpose is to widen Vandeventer avenue its entire length from Fairground Park to Tower Grove Park, the width varying from 80 to 95 feet, except for one-half block, from Lindell boulevard to West Pine boulevard, where the width will be only 70 feet. This is because of the fact that in order to widen the thoroughfare at that point 80 feet it would be necessary to reconstruct or remodel the Temple Sharee Synagogue, at the southeast corner of Lindell boulevard and Vandeventer avenue, the present improvement of the steps from the Vandeventer avenue side of this building, adding 10 feet to the width of the street. Provision is made, however, that if at any time within the lease of the property by the temple alterations are made, they must conform with the new ordinance.

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STATE BOARD FINDS CONDITIONS BAD AT KOCH HOSPITAL

"It Is Unfit for Incipient Cases," Two Members Report to Charities Body After an Investigation.

THEIR REMOVAL TO MT. VERNON URGED

Board Will Order Their Transfer if City Loses Case Pending in Supreme Court, St. Joseph Man Says.

Two members of the State Board of Charities, acting as a subcommittee, made a visit of inspection last Monday to Koch Hospital, the city institution for tubercular persons, and last night made a report on their findings to the whole board, which met at the Missouri Athletic Association. The board is appointed by the Governor and has supervisory powers over all such institutions.

J. A. Corby of St. Joseph, a member, said to a Post-Dispatch reporter today that the investigating members, Prof. E. Weiffenbach of Warren and J. B. Greensfelder of Clayton, reported that "general conditions for the care of patients were bad," and recommended that all incipient cases at the hospital be removed immediately to the State sanatorium at Mount Vernon.

"Their report was verbal," Corby said. "They reported that the place was badly run down and in bad condition, and unfit for the proper care of tubercular persons who might be cured. When they can be sent to Mount Vernon, it is a shame to send little children with incipient tuberculosis down to Koch Hospital just to save money for the city."

He referred to the fact that a decision on the city's right to send patients to Koch Hospital when they want to go to Mount Vernon, is pending in the Supreme Court, and declared that if the city is not sustained, the board will immediately order all incipient cases at Koch Hospital to be transferred to Mount Vernon. The city or county which sends patients to the sanatorium must pay \$7.50 a week for their keep. This is more expensive than sending them to Koch Hospital, city officials have said.

Publicity Helps Matters. Prof. Weiffenbach and Judge Greensfelder reported that they found the food at Koch Hospital "fair," Corby said. "They understand there has been publicity about Koch Hospital here recently. It has been our experience in dealing with institutions that there is always an immediate improvement in conditions following unfavorable publicity."

His attention was directed to the grand jury report made a week ago, in which it was stated that conditions at the hospital were good, and that any unfavorable publicity was to be regretted. Corby said.

"We are rather familiar with these institutions, and it has been our observation that publicity will do more to keep them straight than anything else. As for Koch Hospital, the subcommittee reported that the buildings were ramshackle structures, that the grounds were in bad condition, that many facilities were lacking, and that the miasma from the river made the location very unsuitable. In fact, St. Dwyer admitted that conditions were bad, the members of the subcommittee said, and he was doing the best he could with the limited funds at his disposal."

No outcry was made into charges by patients that they were mistreated by attendants. Corby said, as the board had not the time or opportunity to make a searching investigation of that kind.

St. Dwyer said to a Post-Dispatch reporter today that there are at the hospital 34 incipient cases of the kind which the board is eager to have removed to Mt. Vernon. Three-fourths of them are children, he said. They are kept in two frame structures of frail construction.

Since the grand jury investigation a week ago giving the hospital management a clean bill of health, 20 patients have been ordered transferred to the city hospital for extended observation of their condition. St. Dwyer said today that he thought about half of them were among the 33 who wrote a letter of complaint to the Post-Dispatch, which was partly responsible for the investigation. Most of them refused to enter the city hospital.

WIDOW, 75, FALLS DEAD ON WALK

Mrs. Louisa Peiffer, 75 years old, a widow, 1730 North Loeffellin avenue, fell dead on the sidewalk near Jefferson Avenue and Madison street at 10 o'clock last night, while being escorted to her home by Mrs. Elizabeth Busking, 2228 Madison street, whom she had been visiting when she complained of feeling ill and requested assistance in getting home.

Take Campanini's Body to Italy.

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, April 10.—Mme. Eva Campanini left yesterday for Parma, Italy, with the body of her husband, Cleofonte Campanini, formerly director of the Chicago Opera Association. In New York Mme. Campanini will meet her sister, Mme. Luisa Tezzani, the singer, who will accompany her.

Baby Girl Found Wandering by Herself at Union Station



SUPREME COURT HOLDS BONDED DEBTS TAXABLE

"Surplus" Is Held to Be Excess of Assets Employed in a Business Over Outstanding Capital Stock.

By the Jefferson City Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, April 10.—Bankers, corporation lawyers and State officials are discussing the sweeping terms in which the Supreme Court by a unanimous opinion yesterday defined the corporation franchise tax law. In his definition of surplus, Judge Williamson, who wrote the opinion, included bonded indebtedness and every other kind of property or assets used in the business of a corporation. Under the court's ruling, the franchise tax seemingly will be converted from an ordinary revenue tax into a veritable bonanza for the State and will add millions to the revenue every year.

Liabilities Not Regarded.

Bankers fear that under the court's instruction of the term "surplus" all of their loans may be subject to tax, for Judge Williamson's language on that point is clear. He says: "Clearly, in this case, the Legislature meant by surplus the excess of assets employed in the business over outstanding capital stock, without regard to liabilities."

The law provides that all corporations in Missouri shall pay a franchise tax of three-fourths of one per cent of their capital stock and surplus.

The Marquette Hotel Investment Co. of St. Louis appealed to the Supreme Court when the Tax Commission sent the company a tax bill covering its capital stock and assets, including its bonded indebtedness.

The tax was imposed by the court on the Marquette Hotel because of the company's failure to pay its franchise tax.

The Marquette Hotel's defense

was that the company had filed a motion for a new trial.

He was indicted jointly with William H. Flanney, 31, a chauffeur, 5116 Cabanne avenue, 24 years old, a tailor, 1239 Franklin avenue, was convicted in Circuit Court yesterday of the theft, on March 7, 1919, of approximately \$9000 worth of liquor from the warehouse of the G. Riesmeyer Distilling Co., 1324 Franklin avenue.

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OPEN HOMICIDE VERDICT IN SHOOTING OF WOMAN

Sister Testifies Husband, Living Apart From Her, Said He "Would Have Someone Do It."

An open verdict of homicide, holding no one responsible, was returned by a Coroner's jury today at the inquest over Mrs. Ruth Charlotte Cosma, 27 years old, a waitress who was found dead with a bullet wound in her head Thursday night in the rear of 5612 Cass avenue, where she lived with her niece, Mrs. Frances Wheatley.

Louis Cosma, her husband, from whom she was living apart, was arrested after the shooting. On advice of counsel, he refused to testify at the inquest.

Mrs. Wheatley testified that Cosma went to her home last Monday night and pleaded with his wife to return to him. She testified that Mrs. Cosma said to him: "You can kill me dead, but I won't go back to you."

Cosma, she said, replied: "I won't have your blood on my hands. I'll have someone else do it."

Mrs. Martha Wilson of 3613 Cosma gave a similar testimony. She told of a visit of Cosma to her home "one Sunday night" when he begged his wife to return. She said Mrs. Cosma asked her husband if he meant to kill her and he replied: "I won't put my hands on you, but I'll have someone else do it."

Constantine Cosma, a brother, testified that Cosma, with whom he lives at 1829 Rutger street, was in bed when he went home at 9:15 p.m. Thursday. Mrs. Cosma was found dead at 8:30 p.m.

The police are still looking for a man who escorted Mrs. Cosma from a restaurant where she was employed, leaving there with her about half an hour before the shooting.

MAN WANTED FOR AGITATING NEGROES TO GO TO ARKANSAS

Federal Judge at Kansas City Orders
R. L. Hill Turned Over to
Other U. S. Jurisdiction.

By the Associated Press.
KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 10.—Completing the hearing of Robert H. Hill, wanted in Arkansas for alleged participation in activities which led up to the Elaine race riots last fall, Judge John C. Pollock in the United States District Court in Kansas City, Kan., yesterday directed the United States District Attorney to draw up a condition writ for Hill's return to Arkansas. Judge Pollock directed that the writ should specify that the United States District Marshal in Kansas City, Kan., turn Hill over to the United States Marshal of the eastern district of Arkansas, "there to be safely kept until a reasonable time shall have elapsed, or he shall have been tried in the United States court of the eastern district of Arkansas; that if not convicted Hill shall not be turned over to any State authority but shall be returned to Kansas for trial."

Hill is charged in the Arkansas Federal Court with conspiring with E. V. Powell, another negro, to impersonate a Federal officer.

City News in Brief

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHERN MISSOURI DRUMMERS' Association will meet tomorrow morning at the Marquette Hotel to determine the date of their annual meeting. The date will be the last week of May in Sikeston, Mo.

THE ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON of the Board of Religious Organizations of the State of Missouri will be held April 15. Arrangements are being made for 400 guests. Dr. W. E. Brooks, president of the board, who will address the meeting in working together. Dr. H. C. McCall, of the Board of Missions, will lecture on "Civic and Social Co-operation Among Religious and Other Groups." Morris Skarlicki will sing. Announcement yesterday that the meeting was to be on April 12 was error.

POLICE ITEMS

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MISCELLANEOUS

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Marriage Licenses Births Recorded Burial Permits

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Alvin H. Neumann	3805 Oxford
Nora E. Thompson	4226 Ohio
Arthur W. Eccles	4226 Ohio
Sarah Ethel Walden	4226 Ohio
Albert J. Jones	4226 Ohio
George Sebastian Heuer	5211 Gilmore
Mrs. Myrtle Sandberg	1250 S. 11th
John T. Thompson	5211 Gilmore
Maria Cakla	5124 Calais
Rutherford T. Taylor	Detroit, Mich.
Katherine E. Taylor	5124 Calais
John E. McPherson	1350 Bell
Heika V. Casey	1350 Bell
Paul Leland Kadel	Waukegan, Ill.
John T. Thompson	5211 Gilmore
Frank Geisinger	3508 N. 11th
Mary Heisenger	3508 N. 11th
Nelson Greene	5124 Calais
Frank J. Johnson	5124 Calais
Leon Mallon	Kansas City, Mo.
Fancy Bissom, Koski	5254 Waterman
Albert A. Henderson	5254 Waterman
John E. Morgan	5254 Waterman
Lulu M. Beck	1825 Olive
Albert Ballantine	2828 N. Jefferson
Mrs. Anna Vuyocatis	2013 Washington
Charles V. Morris	Farmington, Mo.
Erie Mae McDonald	1350 Bell
John G. Bourland	4226 Ohio
John E. Thompson	5211 Gilmore
Thomas Mulligan	1018 Rutger
Edna Wulsch	1730 S. 9th
Mabel L. Russell	Evansville, Ind.
Vai F. Herma	725 Pope
Elie S. Wassen	401 J. St.
Julie E. Hays	5305 Enright
At Belleville	
Herman Zoller	Belleville
Mary Eva Whalen	St. Paul, Minn.
Louis Reinheimer Jr.	Freiburg
Frieda Baumgarts	

BIRTHS RECORDED

ROY	1920
F. and M. Zeller	1829 Rutger
G. and L. Broyle	3029 Dickson
A. and M. Ganahl	3050A Laclede
H. and L. Alber	1829 Rutger
H. and R. Alber	Kirkwood, Mo.
John and Mrs. H. Heister	1829 Rutger
J. and B. Heister	3843 Blaine
L. and L. Roarke	721 Union
A. and S. Stroh	4201 Belvidere
O. and A. Wiedermann	5541 Etzel
E. and E. Levy	1019 N. Nineteenth
H. and A. Miller	4324 Garfield
G. and M. Zeller	1829 Rutger
H. and E. Duley	1230A Leftwich
J. and M. Heister	1715 N. Fourteenth
T. and M. Heister	1715 N. Fourteenth
G. and O. Hyland	4411 Forest
J. and M. Heister	1917 N. Fourteenth
A. and B. Bischof	524 McLaren
H. and M. Dyer	2010A S. Grand
P. and L. Thomas	828 Lowell
J. and D. Zerface	3029 N. Second
E. and M. Paul	4950 Magnolia
A. and F. Pfeifer	1917 N. Twentieth
R. and C. Calman	1434 S. Tenth
H. and M. Dyer	2010A S. Grand
P. and E. K. Miller	5243 Krocuk
L. and K. Todd	4210 Sacramento
W. and O. Taylor	512 Market
C. and R. Wilhelm	4467A Kosciusko
E. and V. Klute	2324 Benton
R. and V. Wagner	2324 Benton
W. and C. Miller	2324 Benton
J. and M. Boyle	3174 Park
R. and C. Miller	3174 Park
W. and M. Buck	1915A Colegate
M. and M. Hogen	1800 North Market
T. and N. Ryan	5039 Margarite
E. and C. Klein	1829 Rutger
E. and W. Wille	6212A Crest
E. and C. May	1015 North Market
C. and K. Suttmiller	2710 Pestalozzi
L. and H. Pinkerton	4860 Margarite
W. and S. Lischer	Waterloo, Ia.
M. and M. Neppel	1829 Rutger
R. and D. Askins	401 Blase
F. and C. Roberts	3730 Hickory
R. and C. Ussery	2207 Cass
J. and C. Smith	2100 S. Saline
J. and S. Smith	4510 Cottage
W. and E. Hyatt	2300 N. 9th
J. and E. Sing	710 N. Vandeventer
R. and I. Jackson	3220 La Salle
D. and M. McFarland	2323 St. Ferdinand
C. and M. McFarland	2323 Washington

BURIAL PERMITS

F. C. Smith	4014 Natural Bridge
Heine Buber	8 months
Josephine Nitzen	88, 4438
Acetone	
Theresa Kelly	50, Sanitarium; dementia
Eugene Shetler	2 months
Albert V. Voth	1202A Tower
George Voth	10 months
Edmund Meissner	62, 1235 S. Vandeventer
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Frank J. Klein	65, 4461 Kosciusko; dyspepsia
C. C. Gatzlau	69, 1110 Dillon; pneumonia
Geo. Ceasland	18, 3976 Clayton; myocarditis
Ann Comer	62, 3816 St. Louis; pneumonia
Edna Mueller	23, 1025 Forest; heart disease
Julia Shubert	44, 5338 Ridge; sarcopenia

MAN GOES TO JAIL 12 HOURS AFTER HE SENDS SAWS INTO IT

Is Sentenced to Year's Term and \$500
Fine at Belleville on
Guilty Plea.

Less than 12 hours after he attempted to aid prisoners in the St. Clair County jail at Belleville to escape, Herman Solomon, 19 years old, of Paducah, Ky., today was sentenced to be a prisoner in that jail. He was arrested at 11 o'clock last night, in the act of stringing a bundle of saws to a string that had been lowered from a cell window. This morning he pleaded guilty to attempting to aid in a jail delivery, and was sentenced by Judge Crow.

The jailer learned of the plot to deliver the saws through letters passing between prisoners and persons on the outside, and officials were waiting for the delivery of the saws. There were 60 prisoners in the jail, one of them being Frank Lowhorne, under sentence to hang in White County for murder. The jailer learned later that Lowhorne had tried to take part in the plans to escape, and had told other prisoners that he would not get away if the doors were opened. His case is on appeal to the Supreme Court. Two other men charged with murder are in the jail.

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ACCIDENT VERDICT IN DEATH OF WOMAN

NEW BOOKS FOR THE WEEK AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Was Struck by Auto Driven by
John R. Weipert—Attended
by Brain Specialist.

A Coroner's jury today returned a verdict of accident in the case of Mrs. Luella South, 64 years old, of the Sinton Hotel. King's highway and Delmar boulevard, who died yesterday at the Missouri Baptist Sanatorium of injuries suffered Monday when struck by an automobile, driven by John R. Weipert, 22, of 2915 Geysen avenue, at King's highway and Washington boulevard.

Weipert testified that he was driving west on Washington boulevard and that his wind shield was covered with rain. He said that he slowed down at King's highway and had reached the west side of that thoroughfare when he saw a woman not more than two feet in front of his automobile, and, although he at once applied the brakes, he was unable to avoid striking her. He stated that he was carried about 15 feet before the car could be stopped, but that he was not run over. Other witnesses corroborated his testimony.

Mrs. South was a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, at King's highway and Washington boulevard.

SHARLOW AND DEMETTE
STAR IN HOME CITY

What They Are Doing in the Movies

NEW GRIFFITH FILM
TO BE SEEN HERE

Salazar and Ballester Heroes of Eventful Operatic Evening at Odeon.

By RICHARD L. STOKES.

THROUGH a singular coincidence, at the San Carlo Opera Company's performance last night at the Odeon, two young women from St. Louis came brilliantly into their own in their home city, on the same night and in the same auditorium. Stella De Mette, famous for her rôle of Santuzza in "Cavalleria Rusticana," astounded even her friends by proving that she, the leading contralto of the troupe, is far and away the best dramatic soprano, at least within the limits of a one-act opera. Myrna Sharlow of the Chicago Opera Association, contributed a Nedda in "Pagliacci" that was a little masterpiece of finesse and elaborately wrought detail, admirably sung and pictorially original and charming.

Miss De Mette, at the conclusion of "Cavalleria Rusticana," received the first great popular ovation of her career in this city. The applause was prolonged and resounding, and the singer was laden with more floral tributes than she can carry. With Myrna Sharlow and Salazar singing and acting a Canto that was overwhelming in its passion and tragedy, and with Miss Sharlow and Vicente Ballester, the latter as Tonio, introducing more originality and fresh ideas in "Pagliacci" than it usually is endowed with in 10 years put together, Leoncavallo's musical drama received a performance which it would be difficult to surpass. It was a gala night, the audience rivaling in size and enthusiasm that of Wednesday evening's presentation of "La Forza del Destino."

Few Signs of Strain.

The tessitura, or general pitch of the music, in the role of Santuzza lies viciously high for a contralto, even a mezzo-soprano, but Miss De Mette met it through with few signs of strain, the high B in "Voi lo sapete" and all.

Whether she could perform this exploit often without cruelly punishing her voice is more than doubtful. But her showing on this one occasion caused many to advise her to take a special course of training with the aim of adding a couple of tones to the top of her voice. If this could be done, she would never again be buried in obscure roles like Maddalena and Preziosilla, for her voice is at once powerful and musical, and has been thoroughly trained.

Her acting of the betrayed village girl was a revelation of the singer's powers. Santuzza is an Italian contadina, a woman trained with fury and anguish, and Miss De Mette properly raised the mood to a pitch of emotion. Perhaps, as she raged, the feeling was always convincing and sincere. Her delivery of the "Voi lo sapete" was particularly eloquent.

Romeo Boscaudi did his best singing and acting of the week as Tuddido, the village Don Juan, and his farewell to his mother was instinct with poignancy. Paolo Galazzi was a poisonous Alto, Ada Paggi was colorful as Loja, and Alice Homer was well enough as Mamma Loja.

Ballester's Tonio, the first note of the Prologue, the performance of "I Pagliacci" swept along with fiery vehemence. This famous prelude fell to Vicente Ballester, Spanish baritone, and he delivered it with admirable fire and beauty of voice, sustaining a clavichord at the end which stirred the audience into exacting an encore. Then, in the play itself, his smooth and melodious singing, together with his clever acting, enriched with a lavish invention of new and telling "business," raised Ballester's Tonio to the rank of one of the salient interpretations of the part. The baritone's costumes were most striking.

Not many singers have registered in a few years the progress which intervened between 1915 and 1917. Some of the stars of the former year have been seen the infinite difference between the singer who is content with little more than memorizing a rôle, and the one who studies it letter by letter, searching out ardently every opportunity for expression and by-play. The result was a Nedda artistic to the finger tips.

Instead of the conventional blond wig, Miss Sharlow was independent enough to dress her heroine with coal-black curly hair and to darken her complexion to a Mediterranean tint. The illusion of the Italian type was complete. Providing her own costumes, she garbed the part beautifully. She brought to it a slender, graceful figure, a comely face, and the attractiveness of personal charm.

From a very light soprano, her voice has grown into a heavy lyric, with promises of dramatic strength in a few more months. It is of a curiously penetrating quality, without the least hint of stridency, being on the other hand, unusually sweet of quality.

Miss Sharlow and Salazar met on the stage without a rehearsal, and it was a case of artistic affinity at first sight. The subtle interplay of acting, the response of impulse to impulse and of gesture to gesture, passed between them as spontaneously and infallibly as if they had done the parts together for years. The remarkable case of sympathy was very notable in the great murmur scene, where the fury of the Spanish "Punchinello," rising step after step, was accompanied by the same shading of mounting terror in Columbine.

With such rivalry as that provided by Miss Sharlow and Ballester, only Salazar could have remained master of the eventful evening. He accomplished thefeat with ease and

Flashes From
Film Land

Enid Bennett and Lew Cody Also in Week's Roster of Movie Stars.

"The Idol Dancer," a David Wark Griffith special production, with Richard Barthelmess and Clarine Seymour in the cast, will be the leading attraction on the New Grand Central bill for the week beginning tomorrow. Griffith and a party of his players weathered a terrific South Atlantic storm and for a time were given up for lost while on their way to make this picture.

It is a romance of tropic isles and the story deals with the love of a dancer for a beach comber and for another white man who lands at her stage.

The scenic setting is said to be rare and beautiful and the Griffith touch is said to pervade the picture and give it a distinctive quality and merit. On the bill also will be a Harold Lloyd comedy, "His Royal Styness."

Enid Bennett in "The Crook Play."

Thomas H. Ince production, will be the "super-photoplay" offering at the West End Lyric.

This is the "crook" play in which, it is promised, there will be scenes of the overworked underworld.

A "colorful episode" is the banquet given by the girl to her sweetheart on the occasion of his release from Sing Sing. When the revelry is at its height everything is spoiled by the honored guest's announcement that he is to be married to another.

Novel twists and surprises are said to abound in this story which does not tell the criminal activities of the hero and heroine too seriously.

On the bill also will be Al St. John in his latest film comedy, "Ship Ahoy."

The bill will be changed Thursday when "The False Road" will give way for Marion Davies in "April Folly."

"The Beloved Cheater."

At the Liberty the principal attraction, beginning tomorrow, will be Lew Cody in "The Beloved Cheater."

In this Cody has his usual role of a heart breaker with a touch of villainy in his make-up and he complications mentioned in this instance by making love to a woman who is engaged to marry another man.

An added attraction will be Lloyd Hamilton, better known as "Ham" of Kalem comedies, to appear in a new series of two-reel film serials to be released by the Educational.

Although Cuba and Jamaica are two of the nearest neighbors of the United States it remains a fact that they have been practical strangers to the motion picture screen except for the most ordinary "scenes" of some of the principal cities. Robert B. Coates, the noted motion picture authority, in a recent article in "The Film Weekly" has organized a baseball team composed of well-known film players on the coast.

George Randolph Chester, editor-in-chief of Vitagraph's scenario department, has completed 24 chapters of a new novel entitled, "The Son of Wallingford." This will be translated soon into a feature production to appear while the novel is running serially in a magazine.

Director David Smith is now filming the final scenes of "The Courage of Marge O'Doone," at the Vitagraph studio in Hollywood.

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TWO HITS AND PASS GIVE BROWNS ONE TALLY IN SECOND

Largest Crowd of Series, Totaling Around 9000, Turns Out for Contest at Cardinal Field.

CARDINAL FIELD, April 10.—The warmest weather and best playing conditions that have attended the local 1920 spring series efforts, greeted the Browns and Cardinals this afternoon when they took the field for the fifth and what may be the deciding contest. An early gathering indicated that the game would be witnessed by the largest crowd thus far attracted.

The Great Lakes Naval Band enlivened proceedings. Before the game collectors for the navy memorial fund waylaid the fans outside the park.

The Burkmen need only one more victory to clinch the 1920 city title. Branch Rickey sent Bill Doak, his spitball artist to the hill in an effort to keep the National Leaguers in the running. Schupp also warmed up, but Blonde Bill got the call. Burke selected Allen Sotheron, star right-hander who was beaten last Saturday.

Burke also looked over the slants of Dixie Davis and Bill Burwell. Clemens and Billings were the catchers.

The umpires were Moran and Owens.

Rickey switched Shotton to left field, Heathcote, who has been hitting, returning to right, and Smith going to center, batting in sixth place.

Jimmy Burke announced that he would not experiment at third any longer, being convinced that the veteran Jimmy Austin was his best bet for the hot corner.

FIRST INNING. BROWNS—Austin singled through the box. Gedeon fouled to Stock. Tobin forced Austin, Lavan to Hornsby. Sisler popped to Lavan. NO RUNS.

CARDINALS—Shotton lined to Gerber. Heathcote doubled to center. Williams missing an attempted shoestring catch. Stock flied to Jacobson, whose throw to Gerber caught Heathcote trying for third after the catch. NO RUNS.

SECOND INNING. BROWNS—Williams walked. Jacobson singled to left, Williams stopping at second. Billings got an infield hit to Lavan, who was at the bases. Gerber out, Lavan to Fournier, Williams scoring, the ball being deflected to the shortstop off Doak's glove. Sotheron struck out Austin out, Doak to Fournier. ONE RUN.

CARDINALS—Hornsby beat out an infield hit along the third base line. Fournier forced Hornsby. Sotheron to Gerber. Fournier out at second, Billings to Gerber, when Jacques tried to go down on a short passed ball. Smith singled to center. Lavan flied to Williams. NO RUNS.

THIRD INNING. BROWNS—Gedeon singled through the box. Tobin sacrificed, Doak to Fournier. Sisler walked. Williams forced Sisler. Lavan to Hornsby. Jacobson out, Doak to Fournier. NO RUNS.

CARDINALS—Clemens singled through the box. Doak attempting to sacrifice, popped to Austin. Shotton flied to Williams. Heathcote flied to Gerber in short left. NO RUNS.

FOURTH INNING. BROWNS—Billings popped to Lavan. Gerber filed to Heathcote. Sotheron flied to Smith. NO RUNS.

CARDINALS—Billings threw out Stock. Hornsby fouled to Billings. Fournier out, Gedeon to Sisler. NO RUNS.

FIFTH INNING. BROWNS—Austin tried to bunt, but popped to Fournier. Gedeon lined to Lavan. Tobin singled to right. Sisler flied to Shotton. NO RUNS.

CARDINALS—Smith out, Gedeon to Sisler. Lavan fanned. Clemens out, Austin to Sisler. NO RUNS.

INDIANAPOLIS "DERBY" WILL COUNT MOST IN DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP

INDIANAPOLIS, April 10.—Championship points awarded the eighth international 500-mile \$50,000 sweepstakes on the Indianapolis Speedway in the contest for the 1920 drivers' championship conducted under the auspices of the American Automobile Association, total 2225 points, of which 1000 are for first place.

The Indianapolis race is awarded a much heavier point than any other racing event on the 1920 calendar, the inaugural contest on the Los Angeles Speedway, for instance, having been awarded 1115 points, or less than half the number, with 500 points for first position.

Winning the driver's championship carries with it the award of a cash prize now being made up by racing enthusiasts throughout the United States, the probable value of which is figured at \$10,000, so that to breeze home in front at Indianapolis has an additional prime incentive.

Gibson's Ointments Report.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., April 10.—Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul outpointed Bob Roper, Chicago, in a 10-round bout here last night. Gibbons weighed 170 pounds and Roper 175.

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INDIANAPOLIS, April 10.—Joe Stecher, world's heavyweight catch-as-catch-can wrestling champion, drew Fournier, the Indianapolis club's best boxer, in a 22-m. in Brooklyn last night. Stecher weighed 208 pounds and his opponent 210. The challenger gave a lively exhibition, but was down quickly by his opponent.

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SECOND GAME—Browns 4-8-3. Cardinals 3-9-3 (10 innings). Batteries: Vangilder and Collins; May, Goodwin and Clemens.

THIRD GAME—Browns 13-12. Cardinals 10-11-2. Batteries: Shocker and Billings; Schupp, Woodward, Reinhardt and Clemens. Dilhoefer.

FOURTH GAME—Browns 7-12. Cardinals 3-7-6. Batteries: Gandy and Severson; Halnes, May, Ture and Dilhoefer.

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Looking Backward.

BACKWARD, turn backward, Oh, Time, in thy flight, To the days of our fathers when prices were right; When a guy for his money could get a good run, And wasn't held up at the point of a gun.

Backward, flow backward, oh, tide of the years; When we were not harried by bold profiteers;

When fifty-cents purchased a nobby cravat, And three-and-a-half was the price of a hat.

Backward, turn back to the halcyon days, Ere prices began their spectacular raise;

When goods were abundant and merchants content With profits of less than one hundred per cent.

Backward, turn back in your soul-killing pace! Give us a chance to catch up in the race;

Back to the days when a nickel would buy A loaf of fresh bread or a cut of mince pie.

QUOTE SO.
See where Paul Roman knocked out Joe Walters. The Roman punch evidently had a kick in it.

NOT ASLEEP AT THE SWITCH.

COME, everybody, if you want to hear The saddest story of the present year; John Q. Smythe was the switchman's name, In the railroad terminals he won his fame.

He looked at his watch and his watch was slow. He looked at his wages and his wages were zero. And the public knew by the switchman's moans That he thought he ought to get as much as Casey Jones.

\$22 SHOES.

The recollection of price will remain long after the shoes are worn out.

We take it that Brer Palmer, the well-known organizer of sugar prunes and candidate for President, will avoid all references to "a full sugar bowl."

It is rumored that Charley Chapman, who lost the decision to his wife's lawyer in an impromptu set staged in the lobby of a hotel, has challenged the winner to return match, the weapons to be custard pies at 20, paces

Other Cities Copy St. Louis Plan.
Akeman returned this week from a trip to New Orleans, where he had been invited to a conference by the Crescent City Park authorities, who desired to have first-hand information as to the St. Louis municipal athletics system. New Orleans, like Memphis, Minneapolis and other cities, is expected to adopt the St. Louis plan.

TEAM BATTING.

Browns .450. Cardinals .420. Aces .415. 250. 230.

TEAM FIELDING.

G. P. O. A. E. Pet. Cardinals .44 .99 .44 .70. Browns .44 .92 .37 .12. .921.

HARRISON WINS FEATURE BOUT OF OLYMPIC SHOW

Ray Harrison of the Olympic, G. S., received the judges' decision over Clarence Angel of the Senate A. C. in the feature bout of last night's amateur boxing program at the Olympic Gymnasium, Thirteenth and Monroe streets. It was the first of that organization at the ring sport.

Seven contests were on the program, four of them going the scheduled three rounds. Walter Heisner served as referee, while Judge Robert L. and Seneca Taylor were be

The results follows:

120 pounds—Charles Cullen, Senate A. C., defeated Charles Seider, Tower A. C., three rounds.

140 pounds—William Stepan, Senate A. C., won from Harry Oppeland, Olympia G. S., after stopping the bout in the second round.

130 pounds—Roy Kleinkamp, Wagner A. C., three rounds.

140 pounds—Charles Johnson, G. S., three rounds.

150 pounds—William Stepan, Senate A. C., three rounds.

160 pounds—Ray Harrison, Olympia G. S., won from Leo Kline, Wagner A. C., three rounds.

170 pounds—Lawrence Richardson, A. C., won on a foul in the third round.

180 pounds—William Fuchs, Senate A. C., three rounds.

190 pounds—Roy Kleinkamp, Wagner A. C., three rounds.

200 pounds—Lawrence Richardson, A. C., three rounds.

210 pounds—William Fuchs, Senate A. C., three rounds.

220 pounds—Ray Harrison, Olympia G. S., three rounds, referee's decision, after judges had disagreed.

FRANKIE MASON SHADED BY "BAD NEWS" EBER

HAMILTON, Ont., April 10.—Bobby "Bad News" Eber, local feather-weight boxer, shaded Frankie Mason, the American flyweight champion, in a 10-round bout here last night. In the opinion of sporting men, the official decision was given as Eber weighed 24 pounds over the stipulated weight of 116 pounds at 3 o'clock. Mason weighed 109.

ROBERTSON AND MULLEN RELEASED BY BROWNS

The Washington University baseball nine will open its schedule at Francis Field, this afternoon, when it meets the Western Military Academy team of Upper Alton, Ill.

The nine has entered several local high school teams early in the practice season, but Coach Works has not yet had an opportunity to see how his nine works since four regulars were declared ineligible by the faculty.

It is likely that Monty Lyon will start the game as the Washington pitcher, while Scullock and Marquard may give an opportunity later. Harry Minetree will work for the crows.

The fight will be an open-air event, so the press notices run, and Fred Fulton, Bill Brennan, Billy Miske or Tony Melchior will be Dempsey's opponent.

If the statements are true, Dempsey is certainly taking the right course, not only to win popularity as a fighting champion, but to keep himself fit and at the peak of his form against the time when he operates Carpenter.

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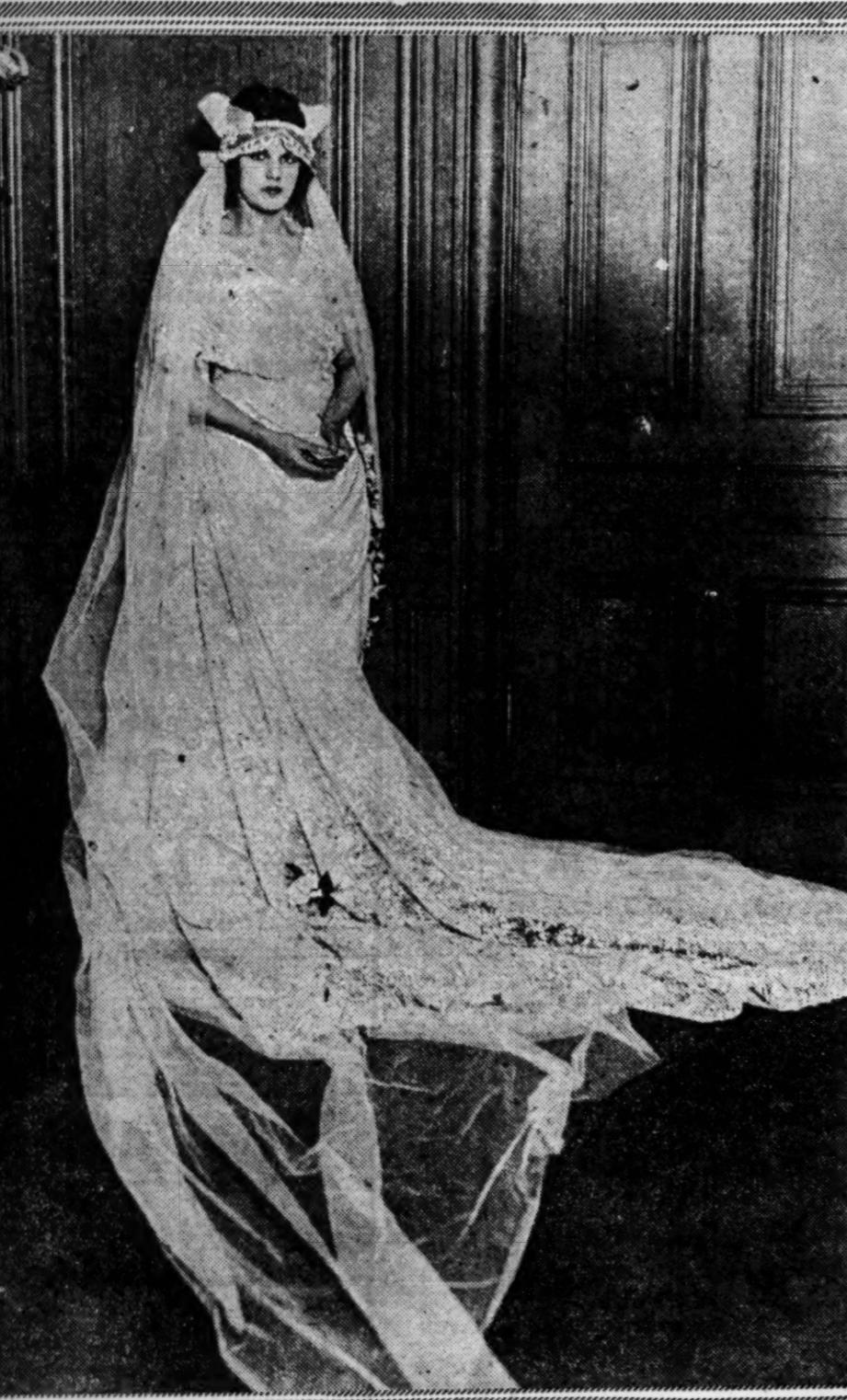
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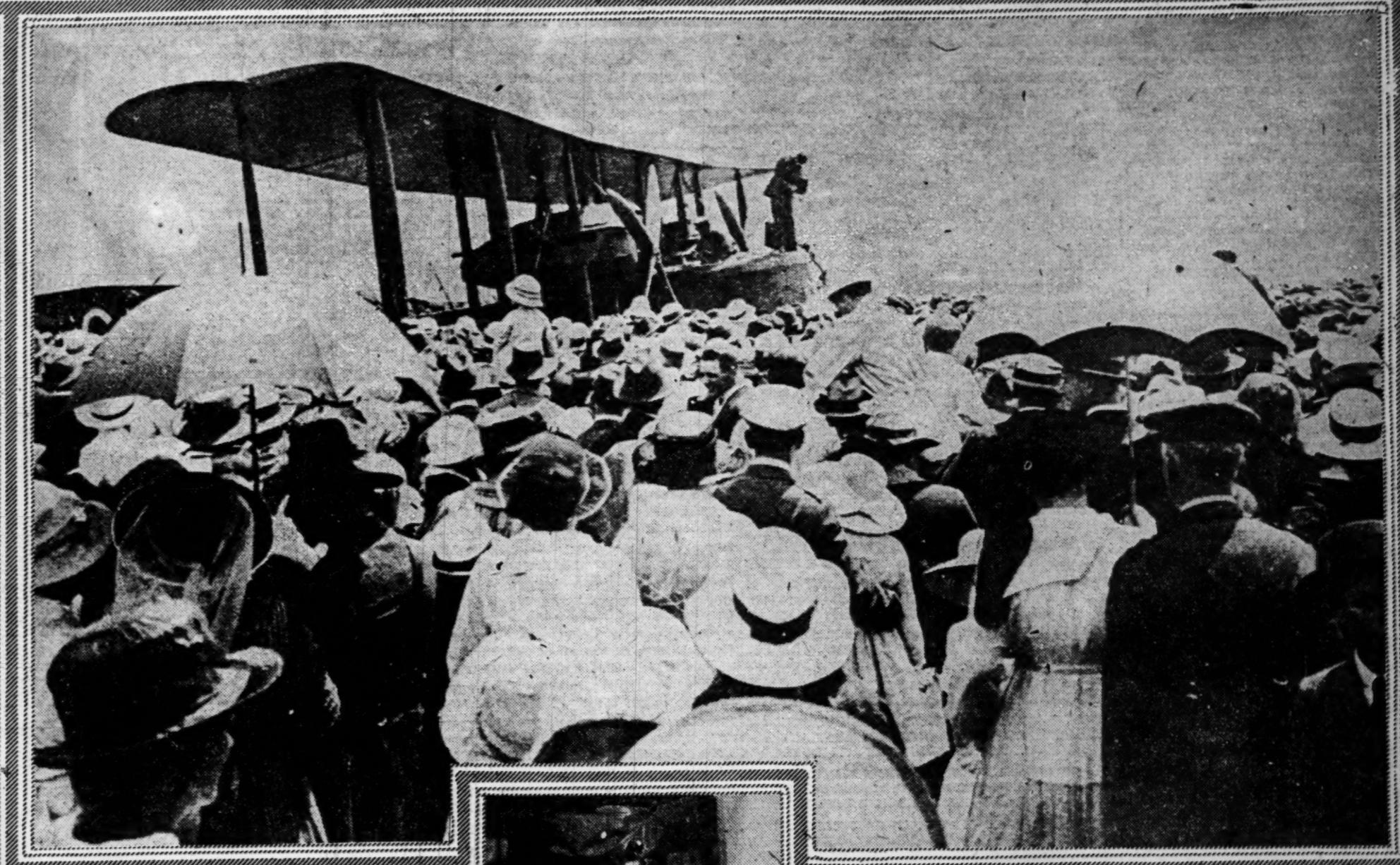
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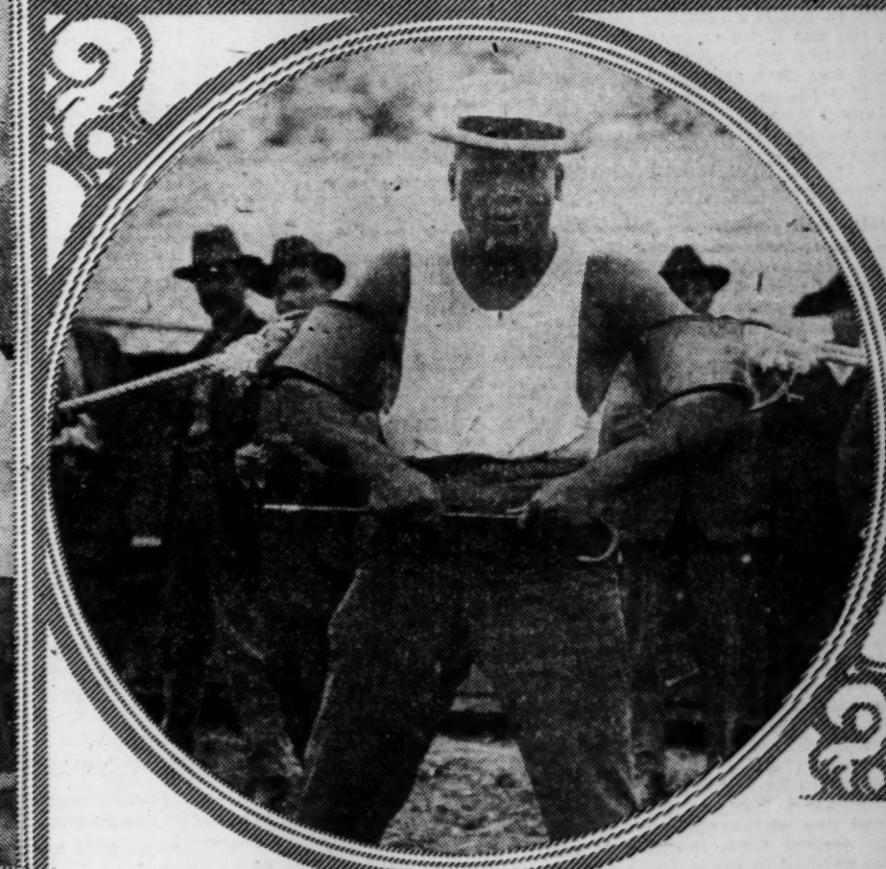
Crowd surrounding airplane in which Sir Ross Smith and crew flew from London to Australia. The photograph was taken immediately after the arrival of the aviator in Sidney.
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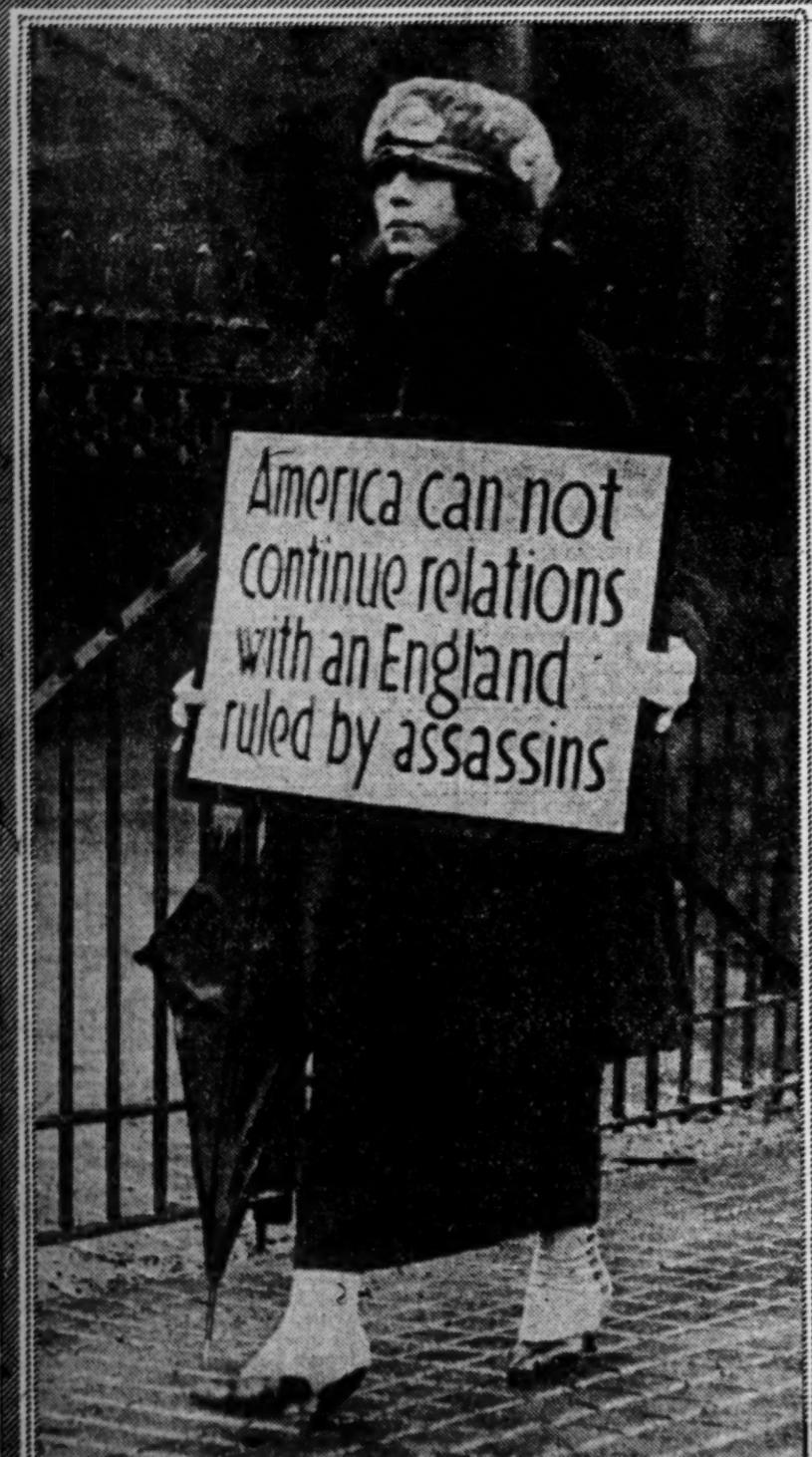
Charles Sims of the Reserve Officers Training Corps and student at the University of Cincinnati, who measures 6 feet 9 inches in his stocking feet.
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Daughter of late Admiral Peary, Mrs. Marie Stafford, christening new navy destroyer named after her father.
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Jack Johnson, former heavyweight champion, doing new training stunt. Two horses are harnessed to his arms and pull in opposite directions.
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Mrs. Harry Walker of Astoria, L. I., who was arrested while picketing the British Embassy at Washington in interest of the Irish cause.
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Proper Division of Up-Keep Cost.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

We read so many things for and against the so-called rent hog, but as yet I have neither read nor heard anything definite as to just what is due both renter and tenant. I am a tenant, paying my increased rent promptly, and am unable to get the most necessary repairs done by the landlord. I would like to know if there is not some way to compel the landlord to do what is just and fair. One of the windows has been broken for over four months. I asked the landlord numerous times to have it put in. He promised every time, but as yet has failed to do it, although he knows that it was broken from the outside and through no fault of mine. I rented my premises with the understanding that there were facilities for gas for cooking as well as for lighting purposes. The gas is here but it burns so badly that we can hardly use it. We complained to the landlord but he said that was the gas company's business. The gas company, after an inspection, said that the meter is O. K., but the pipes need to be blown out and that is the landlord's business. And the landlord says it is the company's business because they have always done it in the past. So a poor tenant is sent from one place to another, always suffering for something he is not responsible for, meanwhile paying his high rent. I wish to know whose business it is to keep the gas pipes clean, have windows put in when not broken by the tenant himself and have all necessary repairing done if deprivations are not caused by the tenant directly or indirectly. What should be considered as absolutely necessary repairing?

A DISGUSTED TENANT.

Public Will Require an Accounting.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Your article on the appointment of McElveen's boy as chief engineer in his office in your issue of April 6, and yesterday's scathing list on nepotism, comes at an inopportune time for the success of the election on the bond issue.

The general sentiment is in favor of the bonds, but there is an under current of doubt as to the legitimate disposition of the proceeds. This doubt may be based on false premises, but whether it is or not, the ultimate object will fail unless this feeling is alleviated.

The so-called "Free Bridge" stands forth in all its massive uselessness as a monumental mistake and a civic failure.

Unless authorities can overcome the existing doubts of the application of the funds, faint indeed is the hope of success at the polls.

The intelligence of the public need not be questioned on the absolute necessity of every one of the objects for which the bonds are to be passed. It needs no education along these lines, but it does want to be assured that the financial estimates for the benefits to be attained are within bounds and the money derived from the sale of bonds will be devoted to the purpose for which it was intended.

CIVIC PRIDE.

Victim of Portrait Enlargement Agent.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

In Sunday's magazine of April 4, 1920, a story about a Family Portrait Enlargement Frame-up written by Edward F. Smith was published. This story was interesting and engrossing, but I read it too late. This very same gag was worked in the north end of our city this last week and was introduced almost exactly as written in the story. I do hope and wish for your paper to give this wide publicity and so warn other housewives. I was talked into this transaction and am now very sorry—but it is too late.

L. R.

Our Second Assistants.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

The present discontent and unrest among the St. Louis teachers is due to a cause not generally understood by the public. Upon speaking to many of their number, I found that they agreed upon one point as the bone of contention: namely, the peculiar ranking system in use here.

This system allows but one head assistant to become a first assistant? She may have four or five first assistants. The others are called second assistants, and although they work side by side, doing exactly the same work, in many cases doing it in a superior manner, they receive \$100 less for it.

Now, the question is, how is a second assistant to become a first assistant? She may work 20, 30, or even 40 years and be recognized as an excellent teacher, yet can never receive a promotion. Strange to say, some receive promotions after a very few years.

When teachers ask an explanation even at the office of the Superintendent and his assistants, they get no satisfaction. Some will still maintain that it is an incentive to good work, but a system which limits the number who may receive recognition for honest, faithful service and makes influence the requisite for advancement can cause only dissatisfaction and disloyalty.

A FRIEND OF THE TEACHERS.

NEPOTISM AS A SYMPTOM.

The extensive system of nepotism now being practiced in our city government, where heads of departments fill their payrolls with sons, daughters, uncles, aunts, sisters, brothers and other relatives, is the usual symptom of breakdown in all cases where one party is kept too long in power. The progressive corruptions of power wielded by the same hands over a long period of time present a perfectly natural phenomenon.

It was with the knowledge of this political truth that the American people adopted the principle of accountability at short intervals and, on that principle, the shorter the better. Thus Jefferson wrote to Samuel Adams in 1800:

BANK ROBBERY A SPECIAL MENACE.

The failure of an attempted bank robbery on Easton avenue and the shooting of the robber, Tuesday, did not prevent a more elaborately planned raid on a Florissant avenue bank, Friday. Nevertheless, the suppression of this spectacular form of outlawry will be best sought by making failure sure for those who try it. When bank robbery is rendered too risky a business to engage in, bank robbery will end.

Scientific methods of combatting shoplifters are being introduced by retail merchants and are already giving results. Scientific methods of frustrating bank robbers readily suggest themselves and if persisted in will undoubtedly save money for financial institutions.

A study of the raids that failed at the Meramec and the Easton-Taylor institutions shows why the other raids had greater success. When an inopportune time is selected for these crimes and they are attempted by too few men, without careful division of labor and speedy means of escape, present precautions seem to suffice. Raids which are organized more painstakingly show the urgent need of more effective precautions than are now observed and indicate their character.

As soon as an alarm was sounded at the Lowell Bank on Florissant avenue yesterday, the bandits, having obtained about \$11,000, fled, leaving a greater sum which a few seconds more would have permitted them to secure. Safe and instant means of communicating to the nearest police station the fact of an attempted robbery will be one safeguard.

Banks in outlying districts are given special reason for watchfulness, though downtown banks should by no means be careless in the expectation that they must necessarily be immune. Supposing there had been one or two armed guards in a protected place of concealment at the Lowell Bank Friday; what would have happened? The bandits would have been given a most disagreeable surprise and probably would have failed to get even the \$11,000. This surprise would have been a deterrent on other desperadoes, especially if shots from the guards had taken effect.

Those responsible for financial institutions must be alive to their special danger. It is obvious that St. Louis is exposed to the degradations of men of skill and daring in this sort of outlawry. The money stolen in the five bank robberies of the past year would pay the cost of effective protection for a long time to come.

THE ACE OF TRUMPS.

One way to get a thrill out of the war, even at this late date, is to read the orders citing Capt. Edward Rickenbacker, upon whom the French Government has just bestowed the Cross of the Legion of Honor. After the account of the performance for which he received the D. S. C., the official document goes along prosily, without paragraphs:

One bronze starlet awarded to Capt. Rickenbacker for each of the following acts of extraordinary heroism in action: On May 17, 1918, he attacked three Albatross enemy planes shooting down one monoplane 4000 meters over St. Mihiel, France. He drove the bunch into German territory, separated one from the group and shot it down near Fliess. On May 28, 1918, he sighted a group of Albatrosses and shot down four monoplanes which he at once attacked vigorously, shooting down one and dispersing the others. On May 30, 1918, 4000 meters over Jaulnoy, France, he attacked a group of Albatrosses. After a violent battle, he shot down one and drove the others away.

That is about one-quarter of the account as set forth in the official records. This tempestuous young man went to France a Sergeant and came back a Captain. Before that, he used to drive racing cars for a livelihood. Still, he contends that his great ambition is to be the oldest man ever born in the State of Ohio.

ST. LOUIS' HARASSING STREET PROBLEM.

Director Talbert and Street Commissioner Slater make official acknowledgement of the poor condition of St. Louis streets and frankly admit they are more unsatisfactory than in many years. That the city officers responsible for the streets concede the inferiority of the roadways is something. They explain that lack of funds for thoroughgoing reconstruction and the depletion of their experienced force of street builders because of high wages in other employment have tied their hands.

Every vehicle owner whose mileage is as much as 50 miles a month knows the facts and is a sufferer. The nature of the street deterioration in some places leads to a suspicion of poor work on foundations. Messrs. Talbert and Slater say this suspicion is not justified. They explain that the weight of trucks using important thoroughfares and the loads they carry have increased so extraordinarily as to batter and crush not only the surfacing, but the foundations of the pavement. This explanation does not account for the roughness of Washington avenue west of Grand. There inferior repair work seems to have been done after extensive upheavals of the wooden blocks by the rains of some months ago. However, the recommendation for the exclusion of heavy teaming from further streets will help. The Street Bureau

EDITORIAL SPARKS.

Another threat on the border. Jack Johnson is at Mexican and thinking of crossing the line.—Omaha World-Herald.

One thing in which a good many states lead Vermont is in getting "Pure Vermont Maple Sugar" on the market.—Burlington (Vt.) News.

The English are able to say that the Prince of Wales had a "blasted" passage through the Panama Canal.—Omaha World-Herald.

Nebraska's oldest resident—a woman—is dead at 90. She could remember when Mr. Bryan first ran for President.—Kansas City Star.

Lloyd George handles the United States without gloves. Wise man, in view of the present high cost of handwear.—New Orleans Times-Picayune.

Shoe manufacturers report a shortage of hides. Strange. They've certainly skinned us sufficiently to have a large surplus stock.—Columbia Record.

An investigation of beat sugar profits is suggested, but it smells like a dried herring drawn across the trail of a cane sugar prouter.—Cleveland Plain

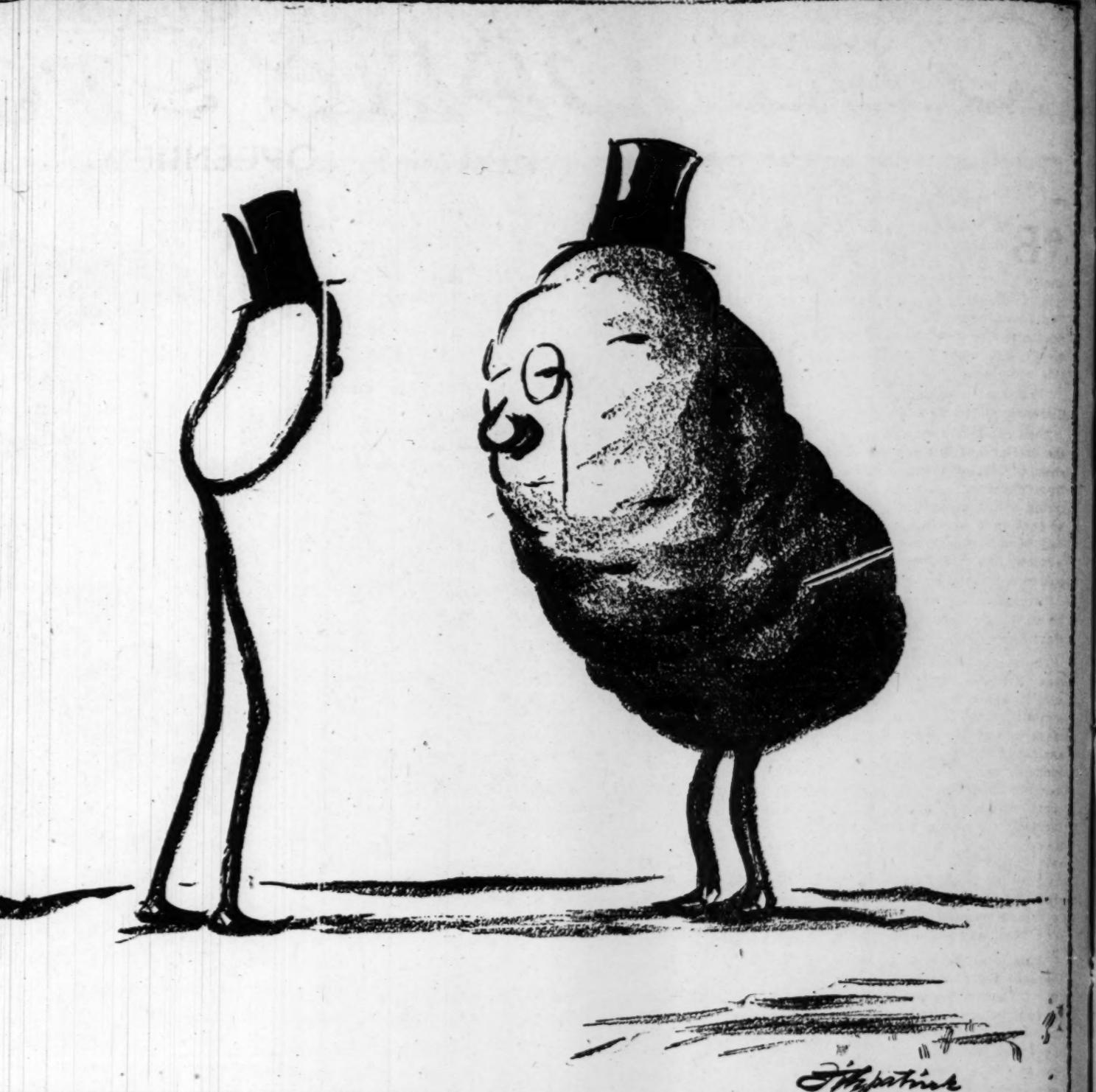
A 2-CENT ROOSEVELT PIECE.

The Senate Committee on Banking and Currency has authorized a favorable report on a bill for the coining of a 2-cent piece bearing a medallion of Theodore Roosevelt. It will be of bronze and slightly larger than the Lincoln 1-cent piece.

The 2-cent piece is not new to our coinage; it may be said to be a symbol of economic conditions due to war, since it was first authorized by an act of Congress in 1864. By the same act a 3-cent bronze piece was authorized to take the place of the silver 3-cent piece authorized in 1851. Up to 1857 the United States had fractional currency as small as 1-2 cent pieces. In 1865 a nickel 3-cent piece took the place of the silver piece and in the following year the nickel 5-cent piece was coined. With the readjustment of economic conditions the coining of 2 and 3 cent pieces practically ceased and by an act of 1890 their coinage was abolished, together with the \$3 and \$1 gold pieces.

Unquestionably a 2-cent piece added to our coinage would be a convenience at this time. We have ceased to make payment for purchases in multiples of 5 and 10, but are even computing in half cents. The 2-cent newspaper and the 7-cent street railway fare are sufficient to indicate the utility of the new coin. But as its usefulness disappeared with the return of normal conditions following the Civil War, we must confess to the hope, without intentional dis-courtesy, that the 2-cent Roosevelt piece will not remain with us forever.

THE BEAN: WHAT'S ALL THIS UNREST ABOUT ANYWAY?



JUST A MINUTE

Written for the POST-DISPATCH
by Clark McAdams

IMMORTALITY.

I AM
A white candle's flame.
My wick is deep,
Deep in the plastic tallow.
I have the bottom of it.
My illuminated heat.
Compels the impressionable wax.
We mate, but never merge.
We make, together, a spring radiance.
In the darkness.

I am swayed—this side, or that—
By the air currents.
I flicker in each puff of wind.
I am an audible sputter
In the gush of an open door.
These things arrest; interrupt;
But they do not stop
My steady passion.

Ah!
I glow in luminous fervor
In that afflatus;
My tapering light towers
Beyond itself,
And the sooty char of my emotion
Whirls in the whiff
And is gone.

One is a mighty truth
By my glowing.

My phantom flames
In his phosphorus pen.

Another found Love.

In my lambent softness,

And my fire lights the hearths of the world.

What is this?

Ah! it is not well to be snuffed.
By gentle, practiced fingers.

When one leaves

These radiant gifts?

What match

In what other room

Will set my soul flaming

Again?

LETA SCHILLING.

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Sir: Signs from Kennett, Mo.

New cafe:

Wanted—50 men and women to eat

In O barber shop:

Shining parlor in rear.

On Smith's garage:

Smith, S' Garage

Hunt?

Bills advertising lecture:

What is the cost?

Not a penny and worth the price.

Not worth a cent?

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Sign in a New England town:

It is forbidden to tie horses to trees, as

they bark and thus destroy the trees.

Sir: In these trying times we Salemites find lots of comfort in a sign which appears over the sanctum of one of our recent arrivals.

Bright & Beam

Hides Eggs and Produce.

Now, Bright is short and Beam is tall—in

fact, very tall—so we presume they can hide 'em high and low. Besides, it's some shining

combination—Nest-e-past?

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Paul Arthur Yawitz.

EULI (NA).

P. LINTHOURGS, hall: You have my sym-

pathy.

Your nom de plume is naught but Greek to me.

But nevertheless do I commiserate

it, as you so touchingly relate.

The girl you love is so uncannily

pure of all the papa-

pathy.

You say she has, you must be a state

of much discomfort when you have a "Date"

With her. I'm sure I'd not like to be

Overmuch with such a peerless "she."

So wise and so innocent. Contemplate

The Little Gray Book

by E. PHILLIPS OPPENHEIM

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FOURTH INSTALLMENT.

"B reasonable," the other begged. "I don't want to be caught here, I'll admit, but I'm not a burglar in the sense that that man is. If you handed me over to the police, I should just melt through their fingers. Can't you forget that you ever saw me here and deal with the other man as you like? I give you my word of honor I am taking nothing away from this room except this little book, and that!"

"And that I'm damned if you'll take!" Van Clarence Smith shouted.

Then pandemonium came. With a football rush the ex-Harvard fullback got his shoulder into the chest of his opponent, and struck his right arm from underneath, so that the revolver fell clattering to the ground. They were locked together at once in a breathless struggle. The man who had been lying upon the floor crawled to the window and disappeared. Van Clarence Smith spared a finger to press the hell.

"Burglar or no burglar, you've got to have it," he muttered, clutching his teeth and raising his right knee.

The masked man took his fall and lay motionless. His late assailant untied the strings of black silk, looked into the unconscious man's face, and himself received a shock. Then he threw the mask out of the window and leaned, exhausted, against the wall. The door of the inner room was suddenly thrown open. The Prince, with the gag hanging down and his hands still half-bound, came stumbling across the threshold, shouting furiously for help. Simultaneously, there was the sound of many hurrying footsteps on the other side. Sir Julian, two or three of the guests and half a dozen of the servants, all in different stages of dishevelment, rushed in. Everybody seemed to be asking questions at once. The Prince, with livid face, was standing before his rifled desk.

"This is all there is to tell you about it," Van Clarence Smith announced, still breathing heavily. "There's been a robbery. He must have heard it before I did," pointing to the figure upon the floor. "I was just in time to take a hand in the scrap, but I couldn't hold the burglar. He was as slippery as an eel, and armed, too."

"Which way did he go?" the Prince demanded. Van Clarence Smith pointed to the window. "There's a rope ladder hanging from there."

Terniloff himself would have been the first to descend, but they held him back. Already the alarm had been given and there were men in the park, running in different directions. The Prince supported himself by the sash of the open window.

"A thousand pounds," he called out; "two thousand pounds—for the man who catches the burglar!"

He collapsed into a chair. Sir Julian hastened to the side of his maltreated guest. The man whose mask had been torn away still lay groaning upon the floor. It was altogether a most complicated scene.

Van Clarence Smith handed over the little gray volume to Sir Julian after breakfast on the following morning. Sir Julian's dark eyes glittered as he turned over the pages.

"Your story sounded all right," he observed. "Do you think that anyone has any suspicion that you got away with this?"

"Certainly the Prince hasn't," was the confident reply. "I don't know so much about Capt. Ashford."

"Why?"

"Because I took the book out of his pocket."

Sir Julian seldom showed surprise. On this occasion only his eyebrows were raised a little.

"I see," he remarked thoughtfully. "Then Ashford was a competitor?"

"Sure!" the young man acknowledged. "He'd finished with your professional burglar and was just off with the swag when I arrived. He gave me a sticky few minutes at the end of his revolver."

"An interesting situation," Sir Julian murmured. "Did you recognize him at the time?"

"I didn't. He was wearing a mask, but I knew he wasn't in the gang, because he'd frozen on to the book and he kicked at my interference. I waited until I caught him a little off guard and then rushed him."

"I knew your muscle would be of service to me



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some day," Sir Julian said approvingly. "Tell me, 'I took it off and threw it out of the window about that mask, though? Ashford hadn't it on just before you all arrived. They picked it up when we came in.'

In which is set forth the Odd Adventure of Mr. Van Clarence Smith, the Masked Intruder, and the Ambassador's Memoirs...

"Tell me why you did that?" Sir Julian asked for, not recognizing him, and believing him to be engaged in an ordinary burglarious enterprise. That is plausible, isn't it?"

"Quite! As a matter of fact, I didn't recognize him until I took off his mask. I'd sized him up as a butler-in of some sort, but I'd no idea he was for us."

Sir Julian nodded. "You displayed extraordinary intelligence. Ashford was not acting for me, but I fancy there can be very little doubt whom he was acting for. You say that the book was already in his possession when you entered the room?"

"He had just taken it from the desk."

"I present my apologies," Sir Julian said, "to our secret service. I did them an injustice when I spoke of them before dinner."

"Then Capt. Ashford?"

"Precisely! I must confess that I have known him for some years, and even entertained him at my house, without having had the slightest suspicion of it."

Van Clarence Smith's face fell.

"Seems to me, then," he observed, "that I needn't have butted in at all!"

Sir Julian laid a kindly hand upon his shoulder.

"That is where you are wrong, my young friend," he assured him. "It is far better for this little volume to reach its final destination through my hands than through any others; in fact, I desire from the present moment, to take the matter out of your hands entirely. You know nothing whatever about the book. You closed with Ash-

"Well, what luck?" Felicia asked eagerly, as her companion presently led her away toward the garage.

"Colossal! I've earned two thousand pounds and averted a European war. Why shouldn't we get married?"

Felicia laughed softly.

"We're both too fond of adventure."

"Adventure? Gee! Doesn't marriage count?"

"Desperately," she answered, "only I think we ought to keep that for the last one of all."

(THE END.)

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Verily, verily, I wonder why!
Selah.

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GOLDEN TEXT: Revelations 21:4.

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THE WEEKLY HEALTH TALK

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess.

By DR. MAX C. STARKOFF,

Health Commissioner of St. Louis.

GARBAGE, rubbish and horse manure are the favorite breeding places for flies. Our early efforts to make St. Louis a flyless city must therefore be directed toward preventing their growth in such places in every part of the city. Of the three breeding places, horse manure is the most prolific, therefore, citizens who own or have the care of horses are especially interested in this part of the great movement now on foot to exterminate the fly pest. Most people are willing to help in this great work and will do all they can to co-operate with the Health Department. We will now tell you how you can change the manure pile, garbage can and rubbish heap from the birthplace to the graveyard—for flies.

The United States Government experts have worked out a plan that has proved successful in preventing fly breeding which can easily be followed by anybody, both because the material is cheap and easily applied and because it requires no apparatus or special knowledge except to know that the consti-

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